

REMARKS

Claims 2-8 and 31-35 are pending.

The Examiner is thanked for allowance of claims 2-8. New claims 31-35 have been added. Claims 31-35 depend on claim 2 and have parallel limitations to those in claims 4-8. The other claims have been canceled, and a continuation application will be filed to further their prosecution.

The Examiner is also thanked for accepting the new declaration, for withdrawing the restriction requirement, and for considering the IDSes.

Disclaimers Relating to Claim Interpretation and Prosecution History Estoppel

Claims 1 and 10-30 have been canceled, notwithstanding the belief that these claims were allowable.

Claim Objections

The Examiner objected to claims 2-3 due to certain informalities. This objection is respectfully traversed. The Examiner pointed to the following informalities:

- In claim 2, the phrase “that features” should be rewritten as –comprising–. *The claim has been amended as recommended by the Examiner.*
- In claim 2, lines 11-14, the phrase beginning with “and added to” could benefit from revision to improve clarity of meaning. *The claim has been amended as recommended by the Examiner.*
- In claim 3, “comprising” needs a colon. *The claim has been amended as recommended by the Examiner.*
- Claim 4 needs a period. *The claim has been amended as recommended by the Examiner.*

- In claim 3, separate features or steps following the phrase “comprising” should be separated using a semi-colon. *The claim has been amended as recommended by the Examiner.*
- The claims are replete with grammatical and punctuation errors. *The claims have been carefully revised and amended as appropriate.*

Conclusion

In view of all of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested and allowance at an early date is solicited.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned registered practitioner to answer any questions or to discuss steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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